

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of corruption of standards of fair media in a democratic society.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But when large companies control the airwaves, we get more of what's good for the bottom line and less of what we need for our democracy. Your decision to coerce your stations to show politically biased programs based on your ownership beliefs is wrong. Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to be totally reconsidered.